

Amendments to the Claims:

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Previously Presented) An insertion-molded cylindrical article, comprising a cylindrical molded body having an inner surface, a mark of an injection gate opening positioned on said inner surface, and a barrel portion having an outer surface, and a sheet-shaped insert having an upper end;
wherein said insert is bonded to said outer surface of said barrel portion, and
wherein said mark is positioned at said inner surface of the cylindrical molded body while being inwardly apart from said upper end of said insert in an axial direction and at a position corresponding to a position on said inner surface that is covered by said insert.
2. (Previously Presented) The insertion-molded cylindrical article set forth in claim 1, further comprising a gap on said outer surface positioned between opposed ends of said insert and not covered by said insert,
wherein said mark of the injection gate opening is not located in said gap.
3. (Previously Presented) A method for making an insertion-molded cylindrical article using an insertion injection molding mold,
said insertion-molded article comprising a cylindrical molded body having a molded body inner surface, a bottom portion, a barrel portion having an outer surface, and an insert having an upper end;
said insertion injection molding mold comprising an outer mold unit having an inner surface and a pull-out mold unit and defining a core-inserting space therein, a core having an injection gate opening and shaped to be inserted and fitted into the outer molding unit, and a molding cavity defined between said outer mold unit and said core inside the injection molding mold,

said method comprising

fitting, attaching and holding said insert along said inner surface of the outer molding unit in said molding cavity,

injecting a molten resin through said injection gate opening toward said molded body inner surface at a position inwardly apart from said upper end of the insert in an axial direction and at a position corresponding to a position on said molded body inner surface that is covered by said insert, and

curing and forming the cylindrical molded body while pushing the insert onto the inner surface of the outer molding unit with the molten resin;

wherein said insert is integrally bonded to said outer surface of said barrel portion of the cylindrical molded body.

4. (Previously Presented) The method set forth in claim 3, wherein said insertion-molded article further comprises a gap on said outer surface of said barrel portion positioned between opposed ends of said insert and not covered by said insert;

wherein the insert is fitted, attached and held along said inner surface of the molding cavity, and

wherein the molten resin is not injected toward said gap.

5. (Previously Presented) The method set forth in claim 3, wherein a knock-out pin is provided in the core, said method further comprising:

upwardly pulling out the pull-out mold unit of the outer mold unit after the insertion molding,

cutting a connection between the cured resin inside the injection gate opening and the cylindrical molded body by raising the knock-out pin, and

removing the cylindrical article from the core by pushing the bottom portion of the cylindrical molded body.

6. (Currently Amended) The method set forth in claim 3, wherein the insert is fitted, attached and held in a cylindrical shape along the inner surface of the outer mold unit in the molding cavity by applying a contact frictional force between the core and the insert, said contact frictional force formed by ~~partially fitting~~placing the insert ~~in the cylindrical shape~~ into the outer mold unit ~~in a state that~~while the core of the injection molding mold is pulled out from the outer mold unit and the molding cavity is opened, and forwardly moving the core into the outer mold unit.

7-11. (Canceled)

12. (Previously Presented) The method set forth in claim 4, wherein a knock-out pin is provided in the core, said method further comprising:

upwardly pulling out the pull-out mold unit of the outer core mold unit after the injection molding,

cutting a connection between the cured resin inside the injection gate opening and the cylindrical molded body by raising the knock-out pin, and

removing the cylindrical article from the core by pushing the bottom portion of the gate cylindrical molded body.

13. (Currently Amended) The method set forth in claim 4, wherein the insert is fitted, attached and held in a cylindrical shape along the inner surface of the outer mold unit in the molding cavity by applying a contact frictional force between the core and the insert, said contact frictional force formed by ~~partially fitting~~placing the insert in the cylindrical shape into the outer mold unit ~~in a state that~~while the core of the injection molding mold is pulled out from the outer mold unit and the molding cavity is opened, and forwardly moving the core into the outer mold unit.

14. (Currently Amended) The method set forth in claim 5, wherein the insert is fitted, attached and held in a cylindrical shape along the inner surface of the outer mold unit

in the molding cavity by applying a contact frictional force between the core and the insert, said contact frictional force formed by ~~partially fitting~~placing the insert in the cylindrical shape into the outer mold unit ~~in a state that~~while the core of the injection molding mold is pulled out from the outer mold unit and the molding cavity is opened, and forwardly moving the core into the outer mold unit.

15-20. (Canceled)

21. (Previously Presented) The insertion-molded cylindrical article of claim 1, wherein:

said insert includes an inner face bonded to said barrel portion and an outer face opposite to said inner face; and

said outer face is substantially free of a material forming said article.

22. (New) The insertion-molded cylindrical article of claim 1, wherein said mark is positioned only at said inner surface of the cylindrical molded body while being inwardly apart from said upper end of said insert in an axial direction and only at a position corresponding to a position on said inner surface that is covered by said insert.

23. (New) The method set forth in claim 3, comprising injecting said molten resin through said injection gate opening toward said molded body inner surface only at a position inwardly apart from said upper end of the insert in an axial direction and only at a position corresponding to a position on said molded body inner surface that is covered by said insert.